

REMARKS

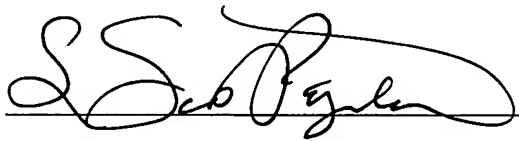
The Applicants thank the Examiner for the timely indication of allowable subject matter in claims 21, 24, and allowance of claims 25-34. Claims 1-5, 7 and 22-34 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 24 have been amended and claim 21 has been canceled. Originally, filing fees for 20 claims with 4 being of independent form were paid (claims 1, 8, 12, and 13). By this amendment, a total of 19 claims remain, with 4 being of independent form. Therefore, it is believed no further filing fees are warranted. Reconsideration of the present application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Office Action states “[c]laims 21, 24 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims.” Claim 1 has been amended to include the features of claim 21. Claim 24 has also been re-written in independent form with all intervening features. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 24 are in a condition for allowance. Applicants further submit that claims 2-5, 7, and 22-23 are in a condition for allowance for depending upon an allowable claim 1.

Conclusion

Applicant believes that claims 1-5, 7, and 22-34 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the present application as amended is respectfully requested. In the event a telephone conversation would help expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (317) 238-6321.

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